The Texas Section Society for Range Management (TSSRM) will be hosting their annual meeting in San Angelo, Texas on October 12-14, 2011 at the McNeese Convention Center.

TSSRM is a society of landowners and professionals concerned with range, wildlife and water conservation in Texas. The theme for this year's meeting is, "Rangeland Stewardship: A History of Heritage, A Future of Change."

The meeting will kick off Wednesday afternoon at 1 p.m. with a session for ranchers, land managers, and young range professionals. The Wednesday afternoon program will focus on using technology to promote rangeland products including: livestock, recreational opportunities and rangeland tours. This session will be followed by a job fair for those wanting to enter the range and wildlife management field. The activities will conclude with a reception featuring live music and auction.

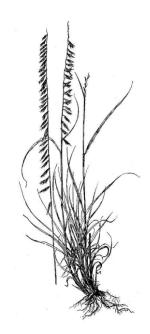
The Thursday morning program will consist of presentations by ranchers and scientists discussing ways to adapt to the ever-changing field of ranching and range management. This session will be followed by an awards luncheon catered by Kenny Blanek. Following the annual awards luncheon, the afternoon activities will include an option of two events. Take a tour of historic downtown San Angelo and Fort Concho or join us for a friendly round of fire at the San Angelo Clay Bird Association.

The day will conclude with the annual awards dinner followed by a dance, with entertainment provided by Johnny Dickinson and Big Country.

Friday morning participants will head to local working ranches to experience a variety of hands-on activities and current agricultural issues. Topics of interest on the tour will include recovery after recent wildfires, along with the recent increase in wind energy and oil exploration. In addition, there will be demonstrations by Priefert Ranch Equipment and Stay-Tuff fence.

Those interested in attending the meeting can contact Corey Owens at corey.owens@angelo.edu or (325)942-2029 x 285. Visit the TSSRM website to register online at http://timssnet2.allenpress.com/ECOMSRMA/timssnet/products/tnt_products.cfm For hotel accommodations, please contact Springhill Suites (325)949-6900; Holiday Inn Express (325) 223-2200, or Comfort Suites (325) 944-8600.

Sponsorships and exhibitor space are still available. Those interested in sponsoring the meeting or reserving space for a commercial exhibit should contact Corey Owens or Mandi Ligon (allsmiles2ya@yahoo.com or 940-733-0120), exhibitor committee chairmen, by the August 31, 2011.



2011 TSSRM Meeting San Angelo, Texas San Angelo Convention Center

Theme: Rangeland Stewardship: A History of Heritage, A Future of Change

Wednesday, October 12th, 1 pm, San Angelo Convention Center:

- Uploaded and Live: Using Technology and Social Media to Market Your Product
- Job Fair
- Reception

Thursday, October 13th, 8 am, San Angelo Convention Center:

- History of the Flora and Fauna of the Concho Valley
- Keeping the Family Ranching Operation Profitable
- Sustainable Rangeland Management for New Landowners
- Diversification of Ranching Operations while Maintaining Traditional Values
- Energy Production on Rangelands
- Research Reports from Across the State
- Tour of Historic San Angelo
- Sporting Clay Shoot
- Awards Banquet and Dance featuring Johnny Dickinson

Friday, October 14th, 7:30 am, Depart from Springhill Suites:

Ranch Tour of Sterling, Coke and Tom Green Counties

- Wind Energy Production in Texas
- Developing Lease Agreements for Petroleum Exploration
- Fencing with Stay-tuff Fence Material
- Priefert Ranch Equipment Demonstration
- Yellowhouse Machinery Equipment Demonstration
- Vegetation Response to Wildfires and Prescribed Burning

